Coverage of beedi workers under Group Insurance Scheme

971. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state the number of Beedi workers covered under the Group Insurance Scheme of LIC during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) The following number of beedi workers have been brought under the coverage of Group Insurance Scheme of LIC for beedi workers. Those who come under the coverage of Employees Provident Fund Organisation's scheme get excluded from the Group Insurance Scheme of LIC for beedi workers:—

Sl. No.	State	Year		
		1999	2000	2001
1.	Andhra Pradesh	516444	525282	603583
2.	Assam	5575	5791	5791
3.	Bihar	244847	244847	244847
4.	Gujarat	47427	48569	49616
5.	Karnataka	297719	298395	298395
6.	Kerala	112887	112887	112887
7.	Madhya Pradesh	700000	700000	711940
8.	Maharashtra	197469	203386	213080
9.	Orissa	135197	147580	160791
10.	Rajasthan	70657	71005	72796
11.	Tripura	4585	4814	4814
12.	Tamil Nadu	603392	612266	641188
13.	Uttar Pradesh	226189	241962	259494
14.	West Bengal	497758	497758	497758